

OFFICE OF THE DIRECTOR OF INDUSTRIES AND COMMERCE IN MYSORE, BANGALORE.
WORKING CLASS COST OF LIVING INDEX NUMBERS FOR BANGALORE CITY.—MAY 1944.

The cost of Living Index Number for Bangalore City for May 1944 works out to 193'6 which is higher by 4'1 points than that for April 1944.

As compared with the previous month, the Food Index increased by 0'3 points to 217'4 due to a rise in the prices of Dhals, Greengram, Coffee seeds, Ghee, Vegetables, Oils, Tamarind, Chillies, Coriander and Garlic. As a result of rise in the prices of Castor Oil and Fire-wood the Index number of the fuel and Lighting group increased by 57'5 points to 250'8. The Index numbers of clothing, house rent and miscellaneous groups remained steady.

(Average of prices from July 1935 to June 1936—100.)

Articles	Unit of quantity	Weight proportional to total expenditure	Average price per unit of quantity				Index Numbers	
			Year ended June 1936	April 1944	May 1944	Rs. a. p.	April 1944	May 1944
Food—								
Raw Rice	Seer	14'0	0 2 2	0 4 4	0 4 0	Rs. a. p.	200	185
Boiled Rice	"	22'6	0 2 3	0 4 4	0 4 0		193	178
Ragi	"	6'6	0 1 1	0 2 6	0 2 5		231	223
Blackgram Dhal	"	0'7	0 3 1	0 11 2	0 12 5		362	403
Tur Dhal	"	3'4	0 2 8	0 8 9	0 9 1		308	341
Bengalgram Dhal	"	1'4	0 2 11	0 8 5	0 8 10		289	303
Avare Dhal	"	0'6	0 2 7	0 7 3	0 7 3		281	281
Green Gram	"	1'2	0 2 0	0 7 6	0 7 8		375	383
Sugar	"	1'9	0 1 4	0 2 0	0 2 0		150	150
Jaggery	"	1'9	0 3 6	0 8 6	0 8 6		243	243
Coffee seeds	Seer	1'4	0 3 11	0 12 7	0 12 9		321	326
Meat (weight)	2 lbs. wt.	7'2	0 7 0	1 8 0	1 8 0		343	343
Curd	Seer	1'9	0 1 7	0 3 3	0 3 3		205	205
Milk	"	6'1	0 3 7	0 5 4	0 5 4		149	149
Ghee	"	2'9	0 6 0	1 0 4	1 0 4		272	344
Onions	"	1'0	0 1 3	0 5 1	0 4 4		407	347
Vegetables	"	5'6	0 2 6	0 4 0	0 5 0		160	200
Fruits	1 Doz.	0'9	0 2 0	0 3 0	0 3 0		150	150
Gingelly oil	Seer	2'5	0 2 0	0 4 10	0 5 6		242	275
Groundnut oil	"	0'4	0 1 8	0 3 10	0 4 3		230	255
Salt	"	1'1	0 1 3	0 2 1	0 2 1		167	167
Cocoanut	Each	1'0	0 1 3	0 2 5	0 2 5		193	193
Tamarind	"	0'9	0 3 3	0 9 8	0 10 0		297	308
Chillies	"	2'0	0 7 4	1 10 1	1 10 4		356	359
Coriander	"	1'3	0 1 5	0 3 11	0 4 1		276	283
Garlic	"	0'7	0 2 0	0 3 9	0 4 5		189	221
Wheat Flour	"	1'4	0 4 10	0 4 10	0 4 10		100	100
Soji	"	1'3	0 4 6	0 4 6	0 4 6		100	100
Ready made coffee	"	6'3	1 5 7	1 5 7	1 5 7		100	100
Total all food		100'0	...	...	...		...	...
Index Number of All Food Articles		...	...	...	217'1		...	217'1

Articles	Unit of quantity	Weight proportional to total expenditure	Average price per unit of quantity				Index Numbers	
			Year ended June 1936	April 1944	May 1944	Rs. a. p.	April 1944	May 1944
Fuel and Lighting—								
Firewood	Maund	72'0	0 2 6	0 4 7	0 6 6	Rs. a. p.	183	260
Castor Oil	Seer	7'7	0 1 11	0 5 2	0 5 6		269	287
Kerosene Oil	Bottle	16'0	0 2 1	0 4 0	0 4 0		192	192
Matches	Box of 40 sticks	4'3	0 0 2	0 0 5	0 0 5		250	250
Total		100'0	...	...	...		...	...
Clothing—								
Dhoties	Pair of 8 yards	14'6	2 0 9	5 0 0	5 0 0		193'3	250'8
Coating	Yard	22'5	0 5 6	1 0 6	1 0 6		244	244
Shirting	"	21'5	0 4 0	0 10 6	0 10 6		300	300
Cloth for Pyjamas, etc.	"	3'0	0 4 0	0 13 5	0 13 5		262	262
Sarries	Each	22'4	3 0 0	5 0 0	5 0 0		335	335
Cloth for Jackets	Yard	16'0	0 5 0	0 12 6	0 12 6		167	167
Total		100'0	...	...	...		...	...
House rent								
House rent	Index Number—Clothing	100'0	2 10 3	2 10 3	2 10 3		246'9	246'9
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Miscellaneous—								
Shaving	"	13'0	0 9 6	0 9 6	0 9 6		100	100
Washing soap	"	17'5	0 4 8	0 4 8	0 4 8		100	100
Supari	"	8'4	0 6 3	0 6 3	0 6 3		100	100
Beedies	"	11'2	0 6 9	0 6 9	0 6 9		100	100
Amusements	"	8'4	0 6 2	0 6 2	0 6 2		100	100
Education	"	5'0	0 3 8	0 3 8	0 3 8		100	100
Medicine	"	8'3	0 6 1	0 6 1	0 6 1		100	100
Flowers	"	5'7	0 4 3	0 4 3	0 4 3		100	100
Household Necessaries	"	22'5	1 0 8	1 0 8	1 0 8		100	100
Total		100'0	...	...	...		...	...
Miscellaneous								
Food	Group	...	Weights proportional to total expenditure	April 1944	May 1944			
Fuel and Lighting	"	...	53'5	217'1	217'4			
Clothing	"	...	7'0	193'9	250'8			
House Rent	"	...	13'8	246'9	246'9			
Miscellaneous	"	...	6'4	100'0	100'0			
Total		...	19'3	100'0	100'0			
(Cost of Living Index Number)		...	100'0			
		189'4	189'6			

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